

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Applicant(s):</b>	Parker, et al.	<b>Docket:</b>	139215
<b>Serial No.:</b>	10/743,592	<b>Art Unit:</b>	2609
<b>Filed:</b>	December 22, 2003	<b>Examiner:</b>	Ben H. Liu
<b>Title:</b>	Wideband Cross-Connect System and Protection Method Utilizing SONET Add/Drop Multiplexers		

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Dear Commissioner:

It is respectfully requested that reconsideration be made of the final rejection mailed December 9, 2008 in view of the following remarks.

DO NOT ENTER: /B.L./

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